## September 21, 2025 Welcome to Lebanon Christian Reformed Church

# The mission of Lebanon CRC is To live by and grow in faith, hope, and love—together.

# **WEEKLY SERVICES & MINISTRIES AT LEBANON**

"My soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning..." - Psalm 130:6 NIV

<u>This Sunday - Morning Worship</u> – Psalm 132 is the basis of Pastor Bob's sermon, *Rest in Peace*. Psalm 132:13-14 is where the LORD pictures Jerusalem's Mount Zion as His "resting place." This psalm of ascents is a divine pledge to God's people, a pledge fulfilled by Jesus Christ.

<u>Evening Faith-Food-Fellowship</u> - We begin our focus on Jesus' Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5-7. We will consider the Beatitudes of Matthew 5:1-12. Join us! You might learn something new *and* you <u>will</u> have fun!

<u>Next Sunday - Morning Worship</u> – Psalm 134 concludes the Psalms of Ascent with a *Benediction*. Worshiping God ends with the Lord's blessing and the doxology of the Lord's people.

#### Today's Offerings: Hawarden Food Pantry / Amistad Cristiana

Next Sunday's Offerings: Lebanon Church Budget / ATLAS Sioux Center

#### **Serving One Another**

Refreshments after morning worship today: Dan & Dana Dunn

Sound Booth attendants today: Rick, Dan

Refreshments after morning worship next week: Josh & Leah Gradert

Sound Booth attendants next week: Cole, Clay

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Ken Dragstra** continues physical therapy and treatment for infection at the Sioux Center Hospital. He is also receiving care to improve his appetite.

Please consider teaching a lesson or two for our **Sunday School** this year. We are looking for adult members of Lebanon Church to take a turn teaching our children the stories of God's Word. This is designed to be easy and fun for teachers and the class. *Take advantage of this opportunity to get to know our youngest church members better!* Reach out to Leah Gradert, Joy Steenhoek, or Pastor Bob for more information.

The **Sound Booth is in need of several volunteers** to help with powerpoint and sound. If you are interested in learning, and being on the schedule, please talk to Rick DeBoom.

Faith-Food-Fellowship Dates – September 21, October 5 & 19, November 2 & 16.

## **CALENDAR**

#### Sunday, September 21

9:45 AM – Morning Worship 6:00 PM – Faith-Food-Fellowship

#### Monday, September 22

 $6:30\ PM-Consistory$ 

7:00 PM - Council

## Sunday, September 28

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

## **PRAYERS & PRAISES**

#### **Prayer for Our Members**

- Barry & Jodi Haverhals Household of the Week
- Ken & Julie Dragstra as Ken continues his path to recovery.
- Pray with Robert and Val Haverhals for God's blessing on the recovery of their granddaughter, Clara, after her surgery last week Tuesday. Pray also for Clara's parents, Mark and Molly.
- For our college students: Joshua Dragstra (Iowa State University), Jacob Dragstra (Northwestern College), Carly Dunn (Northwestern College) Addy Liston (Dordt University), Ava Noyes (University of South Dakota), Tyler Steenhoek (Western Iowa Tech), Josie Zeutenhorst (Dordt University).

#### **Prayer for Our Community**

- Pray for our neighbors for so many families who have lost loved ones in tragic circumstances this past month.
- Pray for those who have responded to those tragedies EMTs, fire fighters, law enforcement; medical staff and funeral directors; and pastors who continue to help those who grieve in the weeks beyond. May the Lord give them mercy and peace.
- Rock Valley Christian School School of the Week

#### **Prayer for Church Ministry and Mission**

- Give thanks that Sos & Kara have safely returned to their home in Africa. Pray as they resume their work leading the Teacher's Garden.
- Pray that the Lord leads Steve & Tara in their work with Launch Global in Texas.
- Pray for Pastor Mark and JinHee and family as they serve in troubled Nepal. We support them through our ministry share offerings to Classis Iakota.
- The Lord has called Rev. Greg Dyk to serve the New Holland CRC! Praise God for providing leadership for them.
- Pray for churches searching for pastoral leadership: Calvin and Trinity CRCs in Rock Valley, Inwood CRC, Shalom CRC in Sioux Falls.
- Praying for our Sioux Center Churches Christ Community Congregation, Pastors Mark Johnson & Carlos Perez.

## **SCHOOL & AREA ANNOUNCMENTS**

See You at the Pole, Wednesday, Sept 24th at 7:45 AM -  $6^{th}$  –  $12^{th}$  grade students meet near the flagpole at West Sioux Middle/High School to pray for your school, peers, nation, community, etc. There will be free donuts provided for students.

On September 25-27, seventy-five high school choral singers will join for the Dordt University Honor Choir Weekend. Attendees come from Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Washington and were recommended by their individual choir directors. The ensemble will give a **final concert at 1:00pm on Saturday, September 27** in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. The Honor Choir will be conducted by Dr. Ryan Smit, Director of Choral Activities at Dordt University.

**Justice for All's Annual Meeting and Auction** will be Thursday, October 9 at the South building of their ministry campus in Rock Valley. After a short meeting, there will be an auction with items donated. Join us to hear a ministry update and stay for the entertainment of Zomer Auctioneering. If you'd like to donate an item, contact Joel De Wit – joeldw@jfa-nwiowa.org or 712-739-0055. Meal starts at 5pm and auction starts at 6:45pm.

**Groundwork:** Grow As A Disciple Of Jesus Christ - God provides his grace and the Holy Spirit for our discipleship journey. Join Groundwork as we study Ephesians 4:7-15, Colossians 2:6-22, and Hebrews 6:1-12 to find out what maturing disciples of Jesus understand and recognize the signs of dynamic discipleship in your own life. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

## **BIRTHDAY'S & ANNIVERSARIES**

- September 21 Evie G
- September 27 Darryl & Christy Z
- September 28 Edie D
- September 28 Lloyd D
- September 28 Ken & Julie D